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## Commander's Corner

If your New Year's resolution was to change the world, I know a few opportunities. There are several groups on post that really make a difference. Some, like the Master Planning/Beautification Committee, are purely volunteer groups. All of the following groups encourage volunteers to take part in the brain-storming, planning and execution of projects at Camp Roberts. I encourage you to get involved. COL John Smith

### **Billeting Fund Advisory Committee**

Develops budgets and local billeting policy. Meets in Bldg 109 at 1000 hours on the final Thursday of every quarter. Contact LTC Brown, 805-238-8217 for more info

### **Camp Roberts Historical Museum**

Dedicated to preserving the history of Camp Roberts. Contact Gary McMaster at 238-8425 to see how you can get involved.

## **Team Camp Roberts and Highway Cleanup Program**

Meets monthly to tidy up the installation and sponsors a section of Hwy 101 passing through the installation. Contact Trudi Pitts at 238-8124 for more info.

#### Master Planning/Post Beautification Committee

Brainstorms and recommends future facilities and locations and proposes specific beautification projects. Meets once a month. Contact Mark Williams, 238-8332, for the next scheduled meeting.

### **MWR Fund Advisory Council**

Develops local morale, welfare and recreation policies, procedures, projects and budgets. Meets in Bldg 109 at 1100 hours on the fourth Thursday of each month. Contact LTC Brown, 238-8217, for more info.



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Camp Roberts Annual
Open House

Saturday May 5th



## AT/FP

## Trends in Global Terrorism: Implications for the **United States**

LTC Anthony J. Trutanich Director, DPTMS

## This letter contains excerpts from the National Intelligence Estimate dated NOV 06

The United States-led counterterrorism efforts have seriously damaged the leadership of al-Qa'ida and disrupted its operations; however, al-Qa'ida will continue to pose the greatest threat to the Homeland and U.S. interests abroad by a single terrorist organization. Additionally, the global jihadist movement—which includes al- Qa'ida, and other independent terrorist groups, with emerging networks and cells—is spreading and adapting to counterterrorism efforts. If this trend continues, threats to U.S. interests at home and abroad will become more diverse, leading to increasing attacks worldwide. Many of the worlds' countries are progressing towards the increased existence of groups with different ethnic, religious, or political backgrounds within one society, or pluralism. Over time, this progress, together with sustained, multi-faceted programs targeting iihadist vulnerabilities could erode the overall support for the jihadists' movement.

The jihadist movement regards Europe as an important venue for attacking Western interests, as illustrated by the 2004 Madrid and London bombings in 2005. There are four underlying factors fueling the spread of the jihadist movement:

Entrenched grievances, such as corruption, injustice, and fear of Western Domination, leading to anger, humiliation, and a sense of powerlessness.

The "Iraq Jihad"

The slow pace of real and sustained economic, social, and political reforms in many Muslim majority nations;

The pervasive anti-U.S sentiment among most Muslims

The jihadist's greatest vulnerability is that their ultimate political solution- an ultra- conservative interpretation of Shia based governance spanning the Muslim world- is unpopular with the vast majority of Muslims. Recent condemnations of violence and extremist interpretations by a few notable Muslim clerics signal a trend that could facilitate the growth of a constructive iihadist ideology through peaceful political activism. This could also lead to the consistent and dynamic participation of broader Muslim communities in rejecting violence and reducing the ability of radicals to capitalize on passive community support. In this way the Muslim mainstream community itself could emerge as the most powerful weapon in the war on terror. Countering the spread of the jihadist movement will require coordinated multilateral efforts that will go beyond operations to capture or kill terrorist leaders. The loss of key leaders such as Usama bin Ladin, Ayman al-Zawahiri, and al Zaragawi in rapid succession, has contributed to the overall fracture of al-Qa'ida in to smaller groups. The resulting splinter groups would pose a less serious threat to U.S interests than al-Qa'ida. The increased role of Iraqi's in managing the operations of al Qa'ida in Iraq might lead to veteran jihadists to focus their efforts on other external operations. While Iran and Syria remain the most active state sponsors of terrorism, many other economically poor states will be unable to prevent territory or resources from being exploited by terrorists. Anti- U.S and anti- globalization sentiment is on the rise and fueling other radical ideologies. This sentiment is occurring more guickly, more widely, and more anonymously in the internet age. This raises the likelihood of surprise attacks by unknown groups whose members and supporters may be difficult to pinpoint.

We must all work together and promptly report strange activities in and around your areas and through your daily activi-



## **Current News & Announcements**

# 7th Innual Camp Roberts BUZZ Marathon, Lati Marathon Esti

February 17th at 8:30 A.M.

Fundraiser for Lillian Larson School athletic programs

\$50 for full and half marathons, \$20 for 5K (includes t-shirt and medals) military rates available

barbecue and door prizes too!

Contact hornetqueen@buzzmarathon.org or call the school at 467-3216



Provided by the Department of Defense at no cost to active duty, Guard and Reserve (regardless of activation status) and their family members. 8 February 1200 hours
Building 113

**THEME: St. Valentines Day** 

Don't Forget to Wear Red!

Contact Trudi at 68124 for more info

## Camp Roberts Historical Museum—In the News



The SLO Tribune (January 28th) recently featured a story regarding a new museum exhibit honoring the late Caspar Weinberger. Weinberger was President Ronald Reagan's secretary of defense and is believed to be the highest ranking political official to have trained at Camp Roberts. A plaque in his honor will be placed at the Soldiers' Bowl next month.

Send announcements to lisa.e.norris@us.army.mil by March 30 for the next newsletter



## **Troop Services**

Contact John Zubrick for special requests or extended hours 805-238-8411 or 68411

MWR equipment can be checked out at Club Phoenix, Bldg 6083, 238-8101 or 68101

Postal Cen-	Bldg	238-8209	M-F 0800-	
ter	108	or 68209	1600	
Post Ex-	Bldg	238-8195	1100-1700	Closed Mon-
change	6036	or 68195	1100-1500 Sun	days
Laundry	Next to	238-8195	24 Hours	
Trailer	Bldg I 20	or 68195		
Barber Shop	Bldg 6037	238-8102 or 68102	POSTED	
Snack Bar	Bldg	238-8120	M-F 0700-	
	6029	or 68120	1400	
ID Card	Bldg	238-8574	M-F 0730-	Appoint-
Center	303 SRP	or 68574	1600	ments pre- ferred
Club Phoe- nix	Bldg 6083	238-8101 or 68101	M-F 1800- 2300	Changes Posted
Espresso-A-	Mobile	Truck #1	Daily	
Go-Go	Trucks	296-5282	0600-0900	
	On post phone	Truck #2		
	68287	423-6424		
Express Cafe	Bldg	238-8287	Daily	
	6037	or 68287	0700-1400	
Fitness Cen-	Bldg	6238-	Daily	
ter/ <b>Gy</b> m	6033	8106 or 8106	0600-2300	
Chapel	Bldg 6030	238-8185 or 68185	POSTED	
Red Cross		877-272- 7337	24 hours	
Family Assis-	Bldg	238-8310	POSTED	24-hr emer-
tance	6038	or 68310		gency 805- 896-4029
Internet	Bldg	238-8932	POSTED	
Cafe	6037	or 68932		
Museum	Bldg	238-8288	TH &SAT	
	114	or 68288	0900-1600	
Fire Dept	Bldg 4050	238-8220 or 68220	24 hours	

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICE

If you've ever been driving around Camp Roberts near the river and observed a large, dark bird with a white head flying above. You have spotted one of the Bald Eagles that call Camp Roberts home.

The Bald Eagle has been the official bird of our country since 1789. In 1967 they were declared an endangered species. Through conservation efforts and strong protection laws, Bald Eagles have returned from the edge of extinction with only 416 pairs in 1963 to over 10,000 pairs in the U.S. today. Currently the federal government plans to take them off the endangered species list.

In 2003, one pair of breeding Bald Eagles was observed at Camp Roberts, but a high level of disturbance led them to abandon the nest. In conjunction with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Camp Roberts has established an 800 meter buffer zone around any nesting Bald Eagles. This year two eagles have been spotted at a nest site along the river. With the buffer zone in place, vehicle traffic is only allowed on paved roads, and foot traffic and gun fire are prohibited. There is signage along Tower and Perimeter Roads delineating this area.

Please observe this buffer zone and help protect **Bald Eagles at Camp Roberts.** 

If you see a Bald Eagle, please do not approach it. If the bird is injured or dead, contact the Environmental Office at 68332.

#### **POC QUICK LIST**



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